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DISTRICT OF MASS.

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February 28, 2005

Robert Alba  
Clerk to United States District Judge  
The Honorable Patti B. Saris  
United States District Court for the  
District of Massachusetts  
U.S. Court House  
One Court House Way  
Boston, MA 02210

Re: ***Direct Report Corporation d/b/a Shareholder.com v. CCBN.com, Inc., et al.***  
**Civil Action No. 04-10535-PBS**

Dear Mr. Alba:

On February 15, 2005, Plaintiff Shareholder.com filed its (1) Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint, (2) Memorandum in Support of its Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint and (3) Motion to Impound its Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint, Memorandum in Support of its Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint, and Second Amended Complaint.

The Motion for Leave to Amend to the Complaint seeks to substitute Robert Adler for one of the John Doe defendants. Mr. Adler and his counsel have been aware for several weeks that Shareholder.com planned to name Mr. Adler in place of one of the John Does. Mr. Adler was served with the original Complaint in March 2004, and he has been aware of, and involved in, this litigation over the past several months.

Only this morning, counsel for Shareholder.com learned that defendants CCBN.com and the Thomson Corporation intend to oppose Shareholder.com's Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint partly on the basis that Shareholder.com did not comply with Local Rule 15.1. Although Shareholder.com merely seeks to substitute Mr. Adler for one of the John Does and Mr. Adler and his counsel were privy to the motion before it was filed, Shareholder.com, in an abundance of caution, has served Mr. Adler's counsel by hand today with a copy of the Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint and accompanying documents filed with the Court on February 15, 2005.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ruth Dowling". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Ruth T. Dowling

cc: Anthony S. Fiotto  
Richard J. McCarthy